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Applicant: Robert J. Beletsky
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Box Response to Non-Compliant Amendment
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

SUPPLEMENT TO AMENDMENT C FILED APRIL 19, 2001

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated May 4, 2001, and after a telephone conference with the Examiner on May 17, 2001, please amend the specification to read as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 10 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--This action can easily be accomplished by grasping prongs 20 and 22 with the right hand thumb and a finger and simultaneously applying pressure with the fore finger to depress button 30. The same, of course, can be accomplished using the left-hand. The button 30 and its stops 32-34 cooperate to positively lock prongs 20 and 22 against inward depression.--